



FOXEARTH & LISTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Saturday 25th. November 2017 at Foxearth Village Hall at 9.45am

Present: Cllr T. Clayton (Chairman), Cllr M. Posen (Vice-Chairman), Cllr K. Robson, Cllr W. Binks, Kevin Money (Clerk to the Council). ECC D. Finch & DC I. Parker.

There were also 6 members of the public in attendance

088/2017 Chairman Welcome. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

089/2017 Apologies for Absence. Apologies was received from Cllr. C. Cox & Cllr P. Cox

090/2017 Declaration of Interest

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the Agenda

No Councillor declared any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the Agenda

091/2017 To approve the Minutes of the last meeting of Foxearth & Liston Parish Council

To receive and agree the minutes of the last meeting held on 9th. September 2017
Cllr K. Robson proposed and Cllr M. Posen seconded that the minutes are a true and accurate record of the meeting. **This was agreed Unanimously**

092/2017 Chairman's report and any update since last meeting. The Chairman informed the meeting that the Liston Lane Quiet Lane public meeting is now being held on 5th. December between 5-7pm at Foxearth Village Hall.

093/2017 Essex County Councillors report. Cllr D. Finch mentioned that the ECC Budget process is looking at saving a further £206m over the next 3 years. The Government have withdrawn the local government allowance. The Youth service was Government funded and is now being reduced dramatically. So ECC is looking at the ECC Youth service and it is now being run by volunteers. The Government is investing in children's centre's where they can get help and support from qualified local advisors. ECC now run many outreach centres. ECC are changing and streamlining services throughout the whole of the ECC budget to make ends meet. The ECC Budget gap is £15m short in year 2018/19. ECC is working on a 3-year period to look at being leaner and making ECC more stable. ECC collected over £625m in business rates in 2016/17. £200m went to the Government Treasury. By 2020 business rates should be retained by ECC. London is relocating its poorer families in Essex and a large influx of gangs are coming to Essex. ECC is lobbying the Government for Children services. ECC is under pressure to keep children in a good home environment. The cost is between £3-4000 per week for each child. ECC is in a good position regarding assisting disability people. ECC is helping rural areas in launching "Crowdfunding". See the poster on the PC website. ECC launch Essex Lottery. See ECC website for further information. ECC is bidding to "Sport England" for a part of the £150m grant fund.
28.11.17 PC Roger Hirst is coming to Belchamp St. Paul talking about rural policing.

The Chairman thanked Cllr David Finch for his report. **Cllr D. Finch then left the meeting**

094/2017 District Councillors report. BDC has submitted the Local Plan to the inspector who will be looking at section 1 to start. BDC is in a vulnerable position as BDC do not have an up to date Local plan and not having enough houses for the 5-year housing plan. Even those BDC are granting planning applications they cannot make the builders undertake the works. BDC are looking at the budget for 2018/19. It is going to be another tight year. 3% increase in Council tax is envisaged. 2019/20 BDC may be running at a deficit. A larger budget has to put in place for planning appeals. BDC looking at business projects will produce an income of about 7% return on its investments. Revenue is being looked at advertising on the side of the BDC vehicles.



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Stansted Airport has applied for increase in passenger numbers by looking at using larger planes.

The Chairman thanked Cllr I. Parker for her report. **Cllr I. Parker left the meeting**

095/2017 Defibrillator update from Cllr M. Posen. Cllr M. Posen updated the meeting as to the progress of the application. The application has been submitted and he said that he will undertake co-ordinating with an electrician. As soon as the application is approved he will inform Councillors and residents.

096/2017 War Memorial update from Cllr C. Cox

In the absence of Cllr C. Cox, the Clerk read out a report from her. It read

Please could you report the following at the PC meeting on 25th November 2017, as you are aware Phil & I will be unable to make this re-arranged meeting:

The cost of removal, re-alignment & re-erection of the monument, along with a levelled pad on site is £3,600 (no VAT) (Oakley Preservation)

The cost of cleaning the monument is £750 + £150 VAT (Hunnables Monumental Masons)

Total Costs: £4500 (inc VAT)

The above are the most competitive costs I have been able to obtain in recent months.

The Village Hall has offered £500 towards the cost and the Parish Council agreed £1000. I can incorporate £1,100 towards the costs from an HLF WW1 grant I am applying for on behalf of the PCC (Heritage Initiative) if the grant is approved.

This leaves a shortfall of £1000 for the memorial work and £900 (inc VAT) for the cleaning work. The cleaning work could possibly be done by volunteers to save costs which would then leave a shortfall of £1000r the monument work.

It is hoped that the work can be completed in time for a re-dedication November 2018.

Could I suggest that the Parish Council considers making up the shortfall from our reserves, as it is a public monument? Failing this, the only option would be to ask for voluntary donations from the village residents.

The Chairman said that another company would like to quote for the works. He has been supplied with works specification. The Clerk to ask DC I. Parker and ECC D. Finch for grant funding. This item to be discussed further on the February '18 agenda.

097/2017 Renovation of Foxearth Village sign

Steven Binks quoted £150 and to leave until mid-summer.

Cllr T. Clayton proposed to accept the quotation. Cllr K. Robson seconded.

This was agreed unanimously

098/2017 Public Participation Session

The Chairman invited questions and observations from members of the public present. A maximum time of 15 minutes was allowed

Public footpath – Footbridge by Oak Hall has collapsed by footpath 11 & 12. Footpath 31 is blocked by growth. Cllr K. Robson will investigate.

Equestrian signs are still in place. The Clerk was asked to contact BDC enforcement officer and ECC Highways department. Footpath 19 is blocked and the BDC officer will consider this matter. Councillors were asked to look at getting a handyman to undertake looking after the footpaths and hedges in the Parish.

099/2017 Tree Warden report. Nothing to report



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100/2017 Planning Applications

17/00309/TPOCON – Foxearth House The Street Foxearth CO10 7FF

Notice of intent to carry out works to tree in a Conservation Area - Section fell 1 Sycamore tree
The tree warden has visited Foxearth House to inspect the diseased tree and agrees with the tree surgeon that in this case the tree is in need of felling.

BDC Decision: Application GRANTED

17/00322/TPOCON – 1 Orchard Cottages The Street Foxearth CO10 7JG

Notice of intent to carry out works to tree in a Conservation Area - Apple (T1) - Reduce crown by 1.5 metres to all aspects and remove deadwood.

F&L Decision: The tree warden, in principle, has no objection to the work being carried out

17/01787/VAR – Liston Hall Foxearth Road Liston CO10 7HT

Application for variation of Condition 3 of approved application 16/00795/VAR - Condition to be varied to allow for the occupation of the two ancillary residential units by persons under shorthold tenancies for a period of no more than six months at a time

BDC Decision: Application REFUSED

17/01796/FUL - Foxearth Fisheries Glemsford Road Foxearth CO10 7GA

Retention of log cabin for residential occupation by persons engaged in the operation and supervision of the existing fisheries and equestrian enterprises (originally approved by Planning Permission ref: 14/00940/FUL)

F&L Decision: No comment

17/01947/FUL – Foxearth Meadows Glemsford Road Foxearth

Installation of composting eco-toilet

F&L Decision: PC supports this application

17/00385/TPOCON – Lower Hall Mill Road Foxearth CO10 7JF

Notice of intent to carry out works to trees in a Conservation Area - Prune 2 Horse Chestnut trees (T1 & T2) to clear electricity and telephone wires, Lime (T3) Remove the epicormic growth to a height of 5 metres to reduce the overhang to the road by 2-3 metres, to prune to clear the house by 2 metres, Lime (T4, T5, T6 & T7) Reduce the height by 50% to allow crowns to reform at a lower level, Walnut (T8) raise the crown by approx. 2 metres all round to allow more light and air beneath it, to reduce x 7 long overextended branches at the top of the crown by approx. 2 metres to bring them back into the crown, to reduce x4 overextended side branches that overhang the adj garden by 4 metres

F&L Decision: No comment

101/2017 Decision/s made by BDC on planning applications

17/01429/VAR & 16/00795/VAR – Liston Hall Foxearth Road Liston CO10 7HT

Application for variation of Condition 3 of approved application 16/00795/VAR - Condition to be varied to allow for the occupation of the two ancillary residential units by persons under shorthold tenancies for a period of no more than six months at a time

Application REFUSED

17/00309/TPOCON – Foxearth House The Street Foxearth CO10 7JG

Notice of intent to carry out works to tree in a Conservation Area – Section fell 1 Sycamore tree

Application GRANTED

17/01458/LBC – Glebe Cottage Sudbury Road Foxearth CO10 7JB

Installation of two conservation Velux windows to existing slate roof. **Application REFUSED**

102/2017 Finance

- Bank balances as at 31st. October 2017 and 2017/18 budget account previously circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting.



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- Councillors to agree payment of October & November 2017 finances previously circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting.

Cllr M. Posen proposed and Cllr T. Clayton seconded that the October and November payments be authorised. **This was agreed Unanimously**

- Councillors to discuss and agree the budget for 2018/19 and subsequent Precept requirement from BDC.

After a discussion Cllr T. Clayton proposed and Cllr M. Posen seconded that the Budget for 2018/19 be agreed and a Precept of £7000.00p be requested from BDC. **This was agreed Unanimously**

£2607.50p has been obtained from the NALC Transparency Fund for the purchase of a new Clerk's computer / Scanner and printer. Together with money towards setting up the F&L website

- 103/2017 Items for Next Agenda**
War Memorial update from Cllr C. Cox
Stafford Park update
Quiet Lane update
Defibrillator
Footpath

Date of Next Full Council meeting
10.02.18 / 10.03.18 / 05.05.18 Electors meeting / 12.05.18 AGM / 14.07.18 / 08.09.18 & 10.11.18

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 11.20am and thanked everyone for attending

Signed.....10th. March 2018
Anthony Clayton